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LB 66, 184, 286, 392, 530, 544, 577, 579
583, 593, 593A, 606, 672, 743, 770, 794
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LR 31, 125, 126, 127

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then there are different groups that you've said you are going to work with and try to help, they are going to bring pressure to bear, and if anything, people's nerves will be more frayed than they are now. So I think what we need to do, as each matter comes before us, is plow our way through it. The crime bill could be sent back to committee because it doesn't matter whether it passes or not. The budget bill has to pass. Some budget has to pass. And I think since we are going to have to battle it, we ought to go ahead and join the battle now. How many amendments could we have probably gotten through if it hadn't been for this discussion? Who knows. But we would have been closer to completing work on the budget than we are now, and I doubt that I will speak on this again because I doubt that I have any more wisdom that can be absorbed. There is only so much that people can digest.

SENATOR HALL: Time. Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, thank you. Senator Lynch, amendments to be printed to LB 530. Study resolutions, LR 125 by Senator Lynch, LR 126 by Senators Wickersham, Wesely, and Vrtiska, LR 127 by Senators Schellpeper and Schmitt. Revenue Committee reports LR 31CA indefinitely postponed, LB 66, LB 184, LB 577, LB 606, LB 672, LB 743, LB 770, LB 794, LB 795, those all reported indefinitely postponed. Enrollment and Review reports LB 286, LB 544, LB 579, LB 583, LB 593, LB 593A as correctly engrossed. Senator Witek offers an explanation of vote from yesterday, Mr. President. That's all that I have and thank you. (See pages 2135-38 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Bernard-Stevens, your light is next.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, Senator Hall and members of the body, just wanted to talk a second, just...maybe just for the record, about what the Appropriations Committee and what Chairman Warner, or Chairman Wehrbein was able to give to us, because everyone talks about how much we've overspent, and all I'd like for members, sometime when they get a chance, to look at the green sheet. The budget that was given to us that we have before us on the floor, that the Governor began to talk about how much the Appropriations Committee overspent, and the areas, that's where it began, but you look at the green sheet. Have we spent more dollars than we actually have, and the answer is no. Are we out of budge...are we out of kilter, are we going